

In re Application of:
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23. (New) The oligonucleotide probe of claims 21 or 22 wherein the probe is 20-50 nucleotides in length.

24. (New) The oligonucleotide probe of claims 21 or 22 wherein the probe is labeled with a detectable label.

25. (New) The oligonucleotide probe of claim 24, wherein the detectable label is an isotopic label or a non-isotopic label, which non-isotopic label is selected from the group consisting of: a fluorescent molecule, a chemiluminescent molecule, an enzyme, a cofactor, an enzyme substrate, and a hapten.

26. (New) The oligonucleotide probe of Claim 24, wherein the probe comprises a sequence which specifically hybridizes to a nucleic acid comprising SEQ ID NO:23-32 or a sequence fully complementary thereto to form a detectable target probe duplex.--

Remarks

By the present communication, new claims 21-26 have been added. No new matter is introduced by the new claim language, as the newly presented claims are fully supported by Applicant's specification and original claims. Accordingly, claims 21-26 are currently pending.

It is believed that the application is in condition for allowance and, therefore, prompt and favorable action is earnestly solicited. If there are any questions concerning this communication, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at the telephone number provided below.